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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reissue Application of:  
Michael A. Waters

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For: AUTOMATED SELF-CLEANING  
LITTER BOX FOR CATS

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated February 5, 1999,  
please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 26, 27 and 33-35 as follows:

26. (Amended) A self-cleaning cat litter box comprising:  
a pan-shaped housing defining an upwardly open litter  
chamber to be filled to a given fill level with cat litter;  
a waste receptacle located outside the litter chamber;  
a comb disposed in the litter chamber;